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SUBJECT:31ST UNGA RESOLUTION ON INTERNATIONAL NETWORK FOR
EXCHANGE OF TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION - AGENDA
ITEM 66B

REFS: (A) UNEC D-713/76, REVISED 9/15/76

(B) VIENNA 7875; (C) STATE 295290;(D)FONCON RIEMER/

MORRIS, 12/7/76

VIENNA FOR UNIDO MISSION

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1. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT MADAGASCAR DEL SUPPORTED
BY MALTA DEL HAS PROPOSED AN ADDITIONAL PREAMBULAR PARA-
GRAPH AFTER PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH 2 OF THE U.S. RESOLUTION
CONTAINED IN A/C.2/31/L.43 AND AN OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 8
TO THE SAME U.S. RESOLUTION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT PRO-
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PARAGRAPH 2 OF RESOLUTION 3507(XXX)' AND "TAKES NOTE

OF THE REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNIDO ON THE CREATION OF AN INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION BANK AND REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CONTINUE TO TAKE NECESSARY MEASURES IN ORDER TO MAKE THE INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION BANK OPERATIONAL."

2. DEPARTMENT'S ONLY CONCERN WITH MADAGASCAR'S PROPOSED AMENDMENTS IS THAT THE OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH MIGHT BE CONSTRUED TO GIVE UNIDO SECRETARIAT AUTHORITY TO TAKE MEASURES WHICH INVOLVE A CHOICE BETWEEN OPTIONS IN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD (IDB) SCHEDULED TO MEET MARCH 21 - APRIL 2 HAS EXPRESSED ITSELF ON THESE OPTIONS. TO CLOSE THIS POSSIBLE LOOPHOLE DELEGATION SHOULD ATTEMPT IN NEGOTIATION WITH MADAGASCAR TO SUBSTITUTE FOR "NECESSARY MEASURES," EITHER "MEASURES RECOMMENDED BY THE IDB" OR "MEASURES AGREED UPON." THE DEPARTMENT COULD EVEN ACCEPT "NECESSARY MEASURES AGREED UPON."

3. IF USDEL CAN ACHIEVE AGREEMENT ON ONE OF THE ABOVE FORMULATIONS, US MAY ACCEPT MADAGASCAR ADDITION TO US RESOLUTION WITHOUT COMMENT. IF MADAGASCAR INSISTS ON ITS PRESENT FORMULATION, US MAY FAVOR BUT MUST EXPLAIN THAT VOTE IS ON THE UNDERSTANDING THE IDB XI WILL DECIDE DETAILS OF BANK DESIGN BEFORE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PROCEEDS TO MAKE BANK OPERATIONAL.

4. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS FROM USUN THAT ALGERIAN DEL MAY SEEK TO MODIFY MADAGASCAR PROPOSAL FOR A NEW OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH TO US RESOLUTION ON ESTABLISHMENT OF A NETWORK FOR THE EXCHANGE OF TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION TO "ENDORSE" RATHER THAN "TAKE NOTE" OF REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (UNIDO) A/31/147) TITLED "ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION BANK."

5. US DELEGATION IS AUTHORIZED TO SUPPORT SIMPLE ENDORSEMENT OF REPORT A/31/147 WITH EXPLANATION OF VOTE THAT ENDORSEMENT PRESUMES SATISFACTORY CLARIFICATIONS AND LATER DECISIONS BY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MENT BOARD (IDB) ON SPECIFICS OF REPORT. DELEGATION SHOULD MENTION AMONG THE ITEMS FOR CLARIFICATION THE MEANING OF IMPRECISE TERMS (REF. A, TOP OF PAGE 3) AND COSTS (REF A, PP. 3-4 AND 9). DELEGATION MAY EXPLAIN CAUTIOUS US ATTITUDE TOWARD STUDY OF COMPUTER UTILIZATION ELEMENT OF 1977 PILOT PROJECT (REF A, P.4). DELEGATION MAY ALSO, AS APPROPRIATE IN THE COURSE OF THE DISCUSSION, NOTE ISSUES ON WHICH THE UNIDO EXECU-

TIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT SUGGESTS ALTERNATIVES FOR
LATER IDB DECISION, VIZ, ORGANIZATION OF THE BANK,
FUNDING OF THE BANK, AND THE PILOT PROJECT (REF A,
PP.3-4).

6. USDEL SHOULD GUARD AGAINST ANY TEXT ENDORSING THE
REPORT WHICH PREJUDICES IDB CHOICES IN DIRECTIONS
NOT CORRESPONDING TO PREFERRED US CHOICES OR WHICH
PREEMPTS AUTHORITY OF IDB TO MAKE FINAL DECISIONS
(REF A, P.4).

7. CONSISTENT WITH INSTRUCTIONS IN REF C, DEPARTMENT
APPROVES REWORDING OF PARA 5 (REF D) AS FOLLOWS:
QUOTE FURTHER REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL, IN
CONSULTATION WITH THE INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE, TO
PROVIDE WITHIN THE EXISTING CAPACITIES OF THE UN
THE NECESSARY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR CARRYING
OUT AS FAR AS AT PRESENT POSSIBLE THE RECOMMENDATIONS
OF THE REPORT, END QUOTE. UN SECRETARIAT WOULD BE
PREFERRED. MINOR CHANGES IN WORDING ARE PERMISSIBLE
IF IDEA OF NECESSARY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES RETAINED,
ALONG WITH PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY OF SECGEN AND CON-
SULTATION WITH INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE.

8. WITH REGARD FURTHER TO VENEZUELAN/MEXICAN SUG-
GESTIONS REPORTED REF D, MISSION AUTHORIZED TO INCLUDE
IN PARA 6B QUOTE TO COOPERATE WITH UNCTAD AND UNIDO TO
ASSURE AVAILABILITY END QUOTE AND IN PARA 7 QUOTE
URGES THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE INTER-AGENCY TASK
FORCE TO COOPERATE WITH UNCTAD AND UNIDO IN ORDER TO
IDENTIFY END QUOTE, OR SIMILAR.

9. MINOR CHANGES IN PARA 3 ALSO APPROVED ALONG FOL
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LINES: QUOTE ENDORSES THE REPORT AND TAKES NOTE OF
ITS PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS.....,ESPECIALLY TO DEVELOP-
ING COUNTRIES END QUOTE.

10. USDEL SHOULD RESIST ATTEMPTS TO WEAKEN ENDORSEMENT
OF REPORT IN PARA 3 TO TAKE NOTE OR SIMILAR. ROBINSON

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